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Cal Poly's Facilities Services Group Recognized for Sustainability Achievements

SAN LUIS OBISPO – Cal Poly's Facilities Services group was recognized by University Business magazine for effective solutions that reduce paper waste, increase efficiency and data transfer, and support the university's mission to maximize sustainable practices.

Facilities Services is part of the Facilities Planning and Capital Group. Together they are responsible for the maintenance and operation of the buildings and grounds on 1,321 acres of the main campus, as well as new construction and adherence to the university's master plan.

The magazine's April issue includes a feature article outlining the cross-disciplinary team that created an electronic file repository to store documents for easy access by multiple vendors, inspectors and staff members involved in projects of every size and scope.

Larry Kelley, Cal Poly's vice president for Administration and Finance, said he is proud that the efforts of the staff were recognized in the national publication. "Sustainability issues are considered during every phase of a project," Kelley said. "Throughout the life of a building, sustainability is used to guide operations and maintenance, including renovation and eventual replacement."

The facilities team is at the core of the university's commitment to implement sustainable practices in teaching, theory and practice. The group recently completed the \$300 million Poly Canyon village student housing complex and is now managing construction of the \$100 million Center for Science, which replaces a portion of Cal Poly's Science Building in the heart of campus, and renovation and expansion of the Student Rec Center.

Cal Poly was recognized as a Campus Sustainability Leader for 2010 by GreenReportCard.org.

To read the entire University Business article, go to: www.universitybusiness.com/custompublishing/default.aspx?publisher=MOE&articleid=1788

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